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Dear Sir:

This submission is filed in response to an Office action dated 30 June 2005, setting a shortened statutory time for response expiring on 30 July 2005. This submission is timely filed on 01 August 2005 without an extension of time fee as 30 July 2005 fell on a Saturday. 'Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for restriction and the following is offered in response.

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